The Town of Preston met on Monday, December 11, 2020 at the town hall.

The meeting was called to order by Darrel at 5:30 PM. Certification of Open Meeting Law Requirements was met. Roll call was held with Ron, Philip, Darrel, Mary and Cathy present.

A motion to adopt the agenda was made by Darrel, second by Ron. Motion carried.

The minutes of the November 9, 2020 regular meeting and November 30, 2020 special meeting were approved with a motion by Ron, second by Philip. Motion carried.

The treasurer’s report for November was approved with a motion by Darrel with corrections from GTA to shared revenue and receipt from Hi-Crush from 4th quarter to 3rd quarter, second by Ron. Motion carried.

Motion by Ron, second by Philip to approve the disbursements for December. Motion carried.

Public comment: None.

Patrolman’s report: Brush and tree trimming on Blom, Bradley and Larkin Valley.

Motion by Ron, second by Philip to approve 2021 Road Agreement with Source Energy Solutions (SES) with the change to 25 loads per day. Motion carried.

Discussion on ATV/UTV use was discussed. Motion to table for more information until January meeting was made by Philip, second by Ron. Motion carried.

What to do with the items in the downtown shop was tabled until building is cleaned. Motion by Ron, second by Darrel. Motion carried.

Motion by Ron, second by Philip to compensate board members for cleaning of downtown hall at $15/hr. Motion carried.

Motion Philip, second by Ron to talk to insurance company about back wall and see what our options are on repairing/cleaning of the building. Motion carried.

Community room rental was discussed. More information is needed as to what other towns are doing.

Motion by Philip, second by Ron to purchase a drop box from Office Depot for $84.99 and an enclosed bulletin board from School Specialty for $332.96. Motion carried.

Driveway lighting was discussed, Darrel and Cathy will purchase reflector markers.

2021 roadwork was discussed. Silva Creek Bridge replacement will approximately cost the town $40,000 and Quarne Road chip seal is approximately $20,000. Use Co-Aid on Shelley Ridge Road? Finish upper 1 mile of Peterson Coulee Rd?

Flag for inside of new building was discussed. Pricing is needed, discuss at January meeting.

Motion by Darrel, second by Ron to move into closed session pursuant to Sec. 19.85(1) (c), Wis. Statutes to consider employment compensation and performance evaluation of the town patrolman. Roll call vote, Ron-yes, Philip-yes, and Darrel-yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ron, second by Philip to return to open session. Roll call vote, Ron-yes, Philip-yes and Darrel-yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Ron, second by Philip to increase the patrolman’s wage starting January 1, 2021 from $20/hr. to $21/hr. Motion carried.

Announcements: letters received from the County about Thane Mathson property and Junk Buck Acres on Frank Nelson Road.

Suggestions for the next regular board meeting on January 11, 2021 at 5:30 PM: ATV/UTV usage.

Motion to adjourn at 7:02 PM by Ron, second by Philip. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Nelson, Clerk